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ATTN: BOX FWC
Prior Application:
Examiner: N. Preisich
Art Unit: 1764

Sir:

This is a request for filing a
[X] Continuation [] Divisional (parent being abandoned)
application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), of pending prior application
Serial No. 08/857,585, filed May 16, 1997
for [Title as filed]: HEATER AND CATALYTIC CONVERTER
[Amended Title]: same
by [Inventors]: Fumio ABE and Keiji NODA

- Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this

- The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN AN APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY
OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 NOTED BELOW

Total claims	10 - 20 =	0 x \$18.00 (* 9.00) =	Basic Fee	\$760.00
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WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT
NO. 16-0331. TWO DUPLICATE COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE ENCLOSED.
- Cancel in this application claims of the prior application before
calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is
retained for filing purposes.
- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the
sentence:
--This is a [X] Continuation [] Division of application Serial No.
08/857,585 filed May 16, 1997, now abandoned, which in turn is a
continuation of application Serial No. 08/530,537 filed September
20, 1985, now abandoned, which in turn is a continuation of
application Serial No. 08/067,275 filed May 26, 1993, now
abandoned, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of application
Serial No. 07/765,059 filed September 24, 1991, now Patent No.
5,296,198.

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6. [X] Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on October 26, 1998 in said prior application which was not entered therein.
7. [X] Priority of foreign application(s) No. 2-305430 and 2-305431, both filed November 9, 1990; in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
[X] The certified copies were filed in prior application No. 07/765,059 on September 24, 1991.
[] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
8. [X] An Assignment to NGK Insulators, Ltd. will follow in due course.
9. [X] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:
[X] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
[] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
[X] c. Address all future communications to

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10. [X] A Preliminary Amendment will be filed in due course.
THE EXAMINER IS REQUESTED TO TELEPHONE APPLICANTS' ATTORNEY IF NO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IS OF RECORD WHEN SHE TAKES THE CASE UP FOR ACTION.
11. [] Small entity status was established in the parent application via a verified statement filed on _____.

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